



SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

"Why Do We Sing?"

Revelation 5:8-13

SERMON NOTES

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

A GOOD BOOK ON WORSHIP

Worship in Spirit and Truth by John M. Frame

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Read *1 Chronicles 16:9; Psalm 33:2-3; Colossians 3:16*. What do these passages say about singing?
- 2) Read *Revelation 5:8-13*. What do you learn about these 3 different songs? What instrument was played?
- 3) John Frame says, "Music is closely related to the spoken word. Musical forms enhance the word of God in various ways. That vividness and memorability, in turn, drive the word in our hearts, so that it becomes precious to us and motivates us to praise and obedience." Why should we sing in worship as opposed to waving banners, shooting off fireworks, or sitting in yoga positions?
- 4) Read *Psalm 22:22; Zephaniah 3:17; Romans 15:9*. What do these passages say about Jesus?
- 5) Music serves different functions in a worship service. Read *Psalm 8; Psalm 100:4; Psalm 5:1-3; Psalm 51*. What are some of the functions of music in the Psalms?
- 6) Why is it important to remember that it's okay for Christians to worship the Lord differently as long as it's from Scripture? How can our preferences of music and style become divisive?
- 7) Read *Psalm 150*. What does this passage say about playing instruments?

FOR YOUR FAMILY

- 1) Memorize *Psalm 96:2*. "Sing to the LORD, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day."
- 2) Read *Revelation 5:8-13*. Discuss with your children what Heaven will be like and why singing to the Lord is so important.
- 3) Sing some praise and worship songs as a family. Tell your kids it doesn't matter how good it sounds, but rather the motivation of our hearts as we sing to Christ.